

RE-2 Employee Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Certification: In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:

Private Sponsor(s):

HIMSS

Travel Dates:

4/19/2023 - 4/21/2023

Name of accompanying family member (if any):

Relationship to Traveler:

Total Expenses

Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meals Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
\$1036.67	\$262.00	\$56.86	

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- The final **Employee Pre-Travel Authorization** (Form RE-1)
- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

Finally, I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

5/12/23

Audrey Smith

Date

Printed Name of Traveler


Signature of Traveler

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

5/12/23

Date


Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

ATTACHMENT 1 – CHANGES FROM APPROVED PRE-TRAVEL

Note: Material changes to a trip that occur after the Committee has issued an approval letter may invalidate the Committee's approval. Please contact the Committee with any questions regarding changes to an approved trip.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved travel expenses? (Transportation, Meals, Lodging, Other)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Expense Change	Revised Amount	Explanation
Airfare	\$929.22	Flight ended up being higher than anticipated.
Uber	\$107.45	Surge pricing at airport higher than anticipated

Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation:

Were there any additional changes to the pre-approved trip?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation:

RE-1 Employee Pre-Travel Authorization

Date/Time Stamp

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved.

Name of Traveler:

Audrey Smith

Employing Office/Committee:

Senator Joe Manchin III

Private Sponsor(s):

Healthcare Information and Management S⁺

Destination(s):

Chicago, IL

Travel Dates:

April 19, 2023 - April 21, 2023

NOTE: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you **must** notify the Committee.

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties.

As the congressional aide handling healthcare, health IT policy, and health privacy policy, this conference serves as an educational opportunity to learn more about healthcare delivery and its interaction with policy.

Do you have an accompanying family member or spouse on this trip? Name and Relationship to Traveler:

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(signify "yes" by checking box)

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

4/12/23

Date

Signature of Employee

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER

(President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms,
Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain)

Joe Manchin

(Print Senator's/Officer's Name)

hereby authorize

Audrey Smith

(Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate.

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(signify "yes" by checking box)

4/12/23

Date

Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer

Trip Name: HIMSS23 Global Conference

Organization Information

Organization Name:

Healthcare Information and Management

Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:

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Private Foundation

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Public Charity

Address:

350 N. Orleans St Suite S10000,

Phone Number:

703-562-8814

City, State, Zip:

Chicago, IL 60654

Organization URL:

himss.org

History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

HIMSS holds a Global Conference annually, and invites congressional staff as well as federal, state, and local policy makers and officials for this unique learning experience.

Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

HIMSS hosts educational briefings and round-tables with federal and state officials, and health IT experts focused on relevant health policy issues. These events are both on and off Capitol Hill, as well as across the country. We also host numerous workshops and smaller conferences across the country.

Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):

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I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.

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I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist but does retain or employ one or more federally registered lobbyists.

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):

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I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal and does not retain or employ an agent of a foreign principal.

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I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal but does retain or employ one or more agents of a foreign principal.

Foreign Government Involvement

Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):

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I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.

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I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.

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I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

Purpose and Details

Provide a brief description of the trip.

This is an educational experience to attend the HIMSS23 Global Health Conference and Exhibition for education, innovation, and collaboration on health information and technology.

Explain how the purpose of the trip relates to your organization's mission.

HIMSS is a global advisor and thought leader supporting the transformation of the health ecosystem through information and technology. As a mission driven non-profit, HIMSS brings expertise in health innovation, policy, workforce development, research and analytics to bring forward the voice of our members.

Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, describe your organization's role in planning the trip.

If there are multiple sponsors, each sponsor must submit Organization Information (Page 1 of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form) and a Signature Page Form.

Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)

If you have a Grantmaking Organization, you must attach a Grantmaking Organization Certification Form.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

With or Without Regard to Congressional Participation (Select one):

- ☒ The trip is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation.
- ☐ The trip is arranged or organized with regard to congressional participation.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Involvement in Planning, Organizing, Requesting or Arranging

- ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, other than de minimis involvement.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Financing (Must select all):

- ☒ The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- ☒ No funds or in-kind contributions were earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.

Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Accompaniment

Complete if all sponsors are §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

- ☐ The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip

Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

- ☒ The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip
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Certification of No Recreational Activity and No Alcohol (Must select all):

- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for recreational activities.
- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for alcohol, except as permitted by the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel.

Will members and staff from the House of Representatives receive invitations?

- ☒ Yes ☐ No

Travel Details (Submit additional pages as needed)

Trip Start Date/Time:



Trip End Date/Time:

4/19/23 8:25PM

4/21/23 6:03PM

Will the traveler be accompanied by a family member for whom the sponsor will pay travel expenses?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Transportation (Member/Officer/Employee: \$⁴⁵⁰ Accompanying Family Member: \$_____)

Transportation Type	Class	Amount
Airfare	Coach	400
Uber	UberX	50

Details (optional)

Good faith estimate

Lodging (Member/Officer/Employee: \$_____ Accompanying Family Member: \$_____)

Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
4/19/23	4/21/23	Hilton Chicago	Chicago	IL	USA
Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		
	131	No			
Check-In	Check-Out	Facility	City	State	Country
Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		
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Nights	Cost/Night	Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No)	If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.		

Meals (Member/Officer/Employee: \$_____ Accompanying Family Member: \$_____)

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Incidentals	Total	City	State	Country	Cost Exceeds Per Diem (Y/N)
4/19/23					Up to \$7 ^c ₊				
4/20/23					Up to \$7 ^c ₊				
4/21/23					Up to \$7 ^c ₊				

If costs exceed the federal per diem, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

The daily meals rate will be the federal per diem. Staff will be responsible for their own meals and will be reimbursed up to the maximum per diem.

Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses

(Member/Officer/Employee: \$_____ Accompanying Family Member: \$_____)

Expense Type	Amount	Notes
Conference Registration	\$995	Government conference regis ₊

Additional Details (optional)

PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL

SPONSOR SIGNATURE PAGE

I hereby certify that the information submitted in connection with the trip listed below is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Trip Name: HIMSS23 Global Conference

Travel Date(s): _____

Travel Destination(s): Chicago, IL

Sponsor: HIMSS

Thomas M. Leary

(printed name of sponsor representative)

Senior Vice President, Govern

(title)

Thomas M. Leary

(signature of sponsor representative)

Digitally signed by Thomas M. Leary
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(date)

January 30th, 2023



Dear Ms. Smith,

I am pleased to extend this invitation for you to attend the **2023 HIMSS Global Health Conference and Exhibition** in Chicago, Illinois, taking place **April 17-21, 2023**. This unique educational opportunity will allow you to learn about the potential and the challenges for healthcare information and technology to help transform the global health ecosystem and reimagine health and wellness for everyone, everywhere. Consistent with Senate and House of Representatives ethics rules, HIMSS is extending to you an invitation to attend HIMSS23 for up to three nights during the conference, as your schedule and the congressional schedule permit.

HIMSS is a global advisor and thought leader and member-based society committed to reforming the global health ecosystem through the power of information and technology. As a mission-driven non-profit, HIMSS offers a unique depth and breadth of expertise in health innovation, public policy, workforce development, research, and analytics to advise global leaders, stakeholders, and influencers on best practices in health information and technology driven by health equity. Through our innovation engine, HIMSS delivers key insights, education and engaging events to healthcare providers, governments, and market suppliers, ensuring they have the right information at the point of decision. Headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, HIMSS serves the global health information and technology communities with focused operations across North America, Europe, the United Kingdom, the Middle East, and Asia Pacific. Our members include more than 120,000 individuals, 480 provider organizations, 470 non-profit partners, and 650 health services organizations.

The HIMSS Global Health Conference and Exhibition is one of the healthcare sector's leading conferences. HIMSS23 will include hundreds of from industry leaders, renowned keynote speakers, specialty programs to and hands-on preconference symposia and forums. Attendees include hospital executives, physicians, practice managers, nurses, pharmacists, and other healthcare providers, federal, state,

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and local government representatives, public health professionals, and technology vendors and market suppliers. To learn more about HIMSS23 please visit <https://www.himss.org/global-conference>. During the conference, you may be especially interested in participating in a range of policy exhibits and discussions, including the HIMSS Interoperability Showcase, Patient Engagement 365 Pavilion, Cybersecurity Command Center, Federal Health Pavilion, Innovation Hub, Startup Park, and other educational opportunities.

For over ten years, HIMSS has offered paid educational opportunities for select policymakers to attend the HIMSS Global Health Conference to learn about the policy issues and challenges of the system-wide adoption of health information and technology. Consistent with Senate and House ethics rules, HIMSS is extending an invitation to attend HIMSS23 for up to three days (72 hours, excluding travel time). HIMSS does not employ or engage a registered lobbyist or lobbying firm, nor do we serve as a foreign agent.

Upon acceptance of this invitation, we will provide the necessary documents to submit with your request for approval of privately sponsored travel to the Senate Select Committee on Ethics or the House Committee on Ethics, as applicable. Requests must be submitted at least 30 days prior to travel. HIMSS will also provide instructions to book your travel in compliance with applicable ethics travel rules.

Opportunities to attend this unique educational event are limited, so if you will be able to attend we kindly ask that you R.S.V.P no later than February 17th, 2023 to allow enough time to submit your request to the Ethics Committee. Those responding will be accommodated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Amanda Krzepicki amanda.krzepicki@himss.org or 571.721.9277.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Leary, MA, CAE, FHIMSS

Senior Vice President and Head of Government Relations

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Email: tom.leary@himss.org



Congressional Staff Agenda

Location: McCormick Place Convention Center Chicago

April 17-21, 2023

Access Full Conference Information here: [HIMSS23](#)

All times are Central Time (CT).

****Note: All events listed on this agenda are to all conference attendees****

Thursday, April 20th, 2023

8:00-9:15am	HIMSS Staff Led Tour of the Cybersecurity Command Center Description: Experience cutting-edge technologies and learn how to best prepare your organization for risk assessments, build bulletproof incident response plans and more. Participate in engaging, interactive, hands-on activities and attend education sessions to enhance your knowledge on today's biggest cyber issues.
9:45 – 10:00 AM	How Many Layers of Security Are Enough to Stop a Cyber Attack? Description: Technology can help you defend against cyberattacks, but no single technology is enough. Protect patient data and prevent a crippling cyber event by developing levels to your risk mitigation strategies. Learn how to build cyber resiliency and mitigate the risk of cybercrime and downtime with security and disaster recovery solutions.
10:00 – 11:00 AM	Concurrent Education Sessions The Intersection of Health Equity and Technology Description: Health IT can be a valuable tool to help enable critical health equity efforts. As part of the Administration's pursuit of a comprehensive approach to advancing health equity for all, HHS' Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) is working to advance the use and interoperability of equity and social determinants of health (SDOH) data while operationalizing the concept of "health equity by design" through collaborative efforts.
11:30 – 12:30 PM	Concurrent Education Sessions: HIE and State Medicaid Partnerships: New Sustainability for Technology Funding Description: The Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) funding and Streamlined Modular Certification (SMC) process replaced expiring HITECH funding on September 30, 2022. This shift impacts health IT funding and long-term financial sustainability for every HIE serving Medicaid programs. In the wake of this funding change, HIEs and their Medicaid program counterparts seek strategies to address new budget constraints while continually advancing IT capabilities and building financial sustainability. Unfortunately, the shift to MES funding comes at a time when HIEs are also evolving into health data utilities (HDUs) to better support state Medicaid programs, public health, at-risk entities, and health equity initiatives. There are new rules. HIEs and state Medicaid programs are both trying to figure them out as they go. This session provides attendees a valuable opportunity to learn from other HIEs how to navigate the new rules of MES funding and SMC process without cutting back on key HIE services. Two leading HIEs demonstrate how they worked collaboratively with Medicaid programs and technology partners to march health IT forward and ensure future financial support in a post-HITECH environment.

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Directing the Future of Healthcare Connectivity Description: As part of our work to improve access to care, reduce clinician burden, & support interoperability, CMS is conducting research on how a national directory could impact healthcare, and improve interoperability & data exchange. As part of this effort, an RFI seeking input on the concept of CMS creating a directory with information on healthcare providers & services (“National Directory of Healthcare”) was released. Join members of the Office of Burden Reduction & Health Informatics to hear what we have learned from the RFI, & how interoperability standards could be leveraged to alleviate challenges associated with current fragmented provider directories. This session will also provide a historical context of where we’ve been with capturing and sharing similar data, previous directory efforts, as well as industry efforts with HL7 FHIR. We welcome feedback during this session on how a national directory could work & how this could fill gaps in practice or services.
2:30 – 3:30 PM	Global Health Policy Connection Description: Join policymakers, industry leaders, academics, and civil society organizations from around the world to discuss current privacy policy issues and explore potential solutions. This event is focused on establishing a global framework for privacy policy that is effective, transparent, and equitable.
4:00PM - 5:00 PM	Concurrent Education Sessions: Data and Information: Social Determinants of Health/Health Equity Description: Alameda County’s whole person care pilot—Alameda County Care Connect, a 6-year, \$177 million effort authorized under California’s Medi-Cal 2020 Medicaid waiver—sought to improve the way health is delivered in local safety net by investing resources in new services, systems, and critically, the people who engage in the painstaking work of implementing change. Alameda County Care Connect focused on the small steps with a designated backbone structure, and ultimately closed many gaps in the safety net and improved care for the most vulnerable residents who previously endured episodic, fragmented cycles of healthcare service. Recognizing the importance of shared data systems, a significant portion of the whole person care pilot resources were dedicated to developing a countywide Social Health Information Exchange (SHIE), an interoperable platform nationally recognized for integrating client data from dozens of sources. The SHIE has proven to be extremely valuable for closing gaps in the safety net and accelerating care by connecting information across silos to better serve consumers. The SHIE identifies trends, develop reports, and respond quickly to partner queries, using County resources and dollars toward a system that benefits many organizations including Medicaid managed care plans, hospitals, jails, housing/homelessness providers, and behavioral health service providers.
	Dinner on your own

Friday, April 21st, 2023

8:30 – 10:15 AM	Concurrent Education Sessions: Keynote: Are More Turbulent Times Ahead for Healthcare? An Economic Outlook (Part One) Description: Healthcare’s reach is not only global, but local, with a focus on patient centrality, growth, and integration, all while aiming to achieve meaningful outcomes. Clinical effectiveness is a journey and not a destination amid the realization that healthcare is a capital-intensive undertaking, regardless of where care is delivered. Balancing financial health against operating losses, debt management, mergers and acquisitions, and myriad other market forces is a team
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	<p>sport. With the Federal Reserve determined to quickly rein in inflation, recession looks increasingly likely. But is it inevitable? What would have to happen to avoid a downturn? Business leaders, consumers, and workers alike are voicing deep anxiety and uncertainty about the future. If a recession occurs, how severe and long is it likely to be? Join Mark Zandi, Moody's Analytics Chief Economist, as he discusses how the next few years will unfold.</p>
10:30 – 11:30 AM	<p>Connecting Kentucky Technology Systems to Address Social Determinants of Health Description: The Commonwealth of Kentucky connected two state-wide technology systems to enable information flow bidirectionally to help citizens of the Commonwealth overcome social barriers impeding their health. This presentation will discuss the deployment of a resource engine utilized to help citizens gain access to needed social services, the use of a state-based health information exchange to aid healthcare delivery, and how a technology connection between the two allows data to flow bidirectionally. Case studies will showcase the opportunities for utilization, statistics on current usage and advances made in helping serve Kentucky citizens.</p>
11:45 PM – 12:00 PM	<p>Navigating the SHIEcosystem: Colorado's Community-Driven Approach to Social-Health Information Exchange Description: While the technology to exchange and manage information about social needs, referrals and resources in support of whole-person care has long existed, these systems have often been implemented in silos, creating a national patchwork of social care platforms with varying levels of interoperability. Colorado is a geographically and demographically diverse state. The structure of our social care system, and Coloradans' social needs themselves, vary significantly from the Eastern Plains to the Front Range, to the Western Slope. As a result, Colorado's landscape of social care networks comprises a variety of platforms and structures. To better facilitate statewide data sharing and care coordination, the Colorado Office of eHealth Innovation (OeHI) has developed an approach to social-health information exchange (SHIE) that focuses on interoperability and harnesses the power of community-driven infrastructure development. The objective of our work is to leverage existing partnerships and infrastructure across Colorado to build a "network of networks" or SHIEcosystem - an interoperated network of technology platforms and the care providers who use them. Through the SHIEcosystem, we hope to improve our state's ability to "prescribe programs, not pills," meet communities where they are to build momentum and buy-in, and to improve health equity for all Coloradans.</p>
12:00 – 1:00 PM	<p>Social Determinants of Monoclonal Antibody Treatment and Effectiveness for COVID-19 Description: Over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic in the United States, the risks of infection, hospitalization, and death have been higher in non-white racial and Hispanic ethnic groups. Race and ethnicity often serve as proxies for complex social determinants of health (SDOH) such as healthcare access and occupational exposure to severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2). Prevalence of chronic conditions associated with severe COVID-19 is also higher in racial and ethnic minority groups. Because of these observations, there has been heightened interest in understanding the distribution and effectiveness of COVID-19 treatments in these groups. In this session, findings of neutralizing monoclonal antibody (nMAb) treatment distribution and effectiveness in historically disadvantaged populations from a consortium study of diverse health systems will be presented. We found significant differences in the composition of treated vs. non-treated patients according to SDOH factors. However, medical factors were more predictive of severe COVID-19 than</p>

	SDOH characteristics and nMAB treatment benefited all racial subgroups with lower rates of hospitalization and death. This session will conclude with health system learnings about increasing outreach and uptake of COVID-19 interventions in historically disadvantaged populations to promote equitable distribution.
1:15 – 2:30 PM	Keynote: Resilience in the Face of Uncertainty Description: The world is changing faster than we ever imagined. Leaders and teams must dig deep within themselves to break through and find opportunity in uncertain times. Before becoming a best-selling author, playing basketball at the White House, having beers with Prince Harry, or living out other dreams, Ben Nemtin suffered from crippling depression. After committing to a series of positive life changes, he had a shift in perspective that changed his outlook on life and opened himself up to endless possibility. From there he committed to following his buried dreams and helping others through acts of service. The rest is history. Ben's message of radical possibility combined with his "5 Steps to Make the Impossible Possible" not only inspires but will equip you with tools to tackle the seemingly insurmountable. His system of achieving impossible goals demystifies daunting tasks by turning 'pipe dreams' into 'projects' and creates inspiration through action and accountability.